

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Allegation of corruption against Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao, Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District – Trapped on 8-8-2008 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE(VIG.VII(2))DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.498

Dated:05-05-2009

ORDER:

1. Whereas, Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, S/o Venkata Rao worked as Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari district from 1-3-2002 to 8-8-2008 and as such he is a Public Servant as defined under section 2(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.(Act 49 of 1988);
2. And whereas, Sri Kantipudi Srinivas, S/o Sathiraju, resident of Sandredu Village, East Godavari District;
3. And whereas, it is alleged that on 18-1-2008 Sri Kantipudi Srinivas applied for Pattadar Pass Book and Title deed of the ancestral property Ac.2.17 cents of land in S.No.896/7 situated at Mallepalli Village of Gandepalli Mandal and met the Tahsildar and requested for issuing Pattadar Pass Book. The Tahsildar received his application and promised to entrust his application to the Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli and after receipt of the report from Village Revenue Officer, she would issue Pattadar Pass Book. In the last week of June, 2008 Sri Kantipudi Srinivas met the Superintendent of Office of the Tahsildar, Gandepalli and asked about his Pattadar Pass Book and Title deed. The Superintendent informed him that his application was pending with the Village Revenue Officer for his enquiry report. On the same day, Sri Kantipudi Srinivas met the Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli and enquired about his application and Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari district informed him that it was pending with him and asked him to meet him after a few days. In July, 2008 Sri Kantipudi Srinivas met Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao so many times, but, there was no response. On 6-8-2008 Sri Kantipudi Srinivas along with his Paternal uncle Sri Sunkavalli Subba Rao met Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao and Sri Viswandaha Rao demanded Rs.1500/- for submitting his enquiry report and to process for issue of Pattadar Pass Book and Title deeds. As Sri Kantipudi Srinivas expressed his inability to pay Rs.1500/- as bribe, Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao reduced the same from Rs.1500/- to 1000/- and directed Sri Kantipudi Srinivas to pay the said bribe amount at his office or wherever available on 8-8-2008. Sri Kantipudi Srinivas reluctantly agreed to pay the demanded

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bribe amount of Rs.1000/- to Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao and approached the Range Inspector-1, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Rajahmundry Range and lodged a written report on 6-8-2008 against Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari district for taking necessary action. After receiving the report of Sri Kantipudi Srinivas the Range Inspector-1 informed that same to Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Eluru Range (Full Additional Charge), Rajahmundry Range over phone and the Deputy Superintendent of Police instructed him to conduct enquiry. Accordingly, he conducted enquiry, verified the antecedents of Sri Kantipudi Srinivas, Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao and genuineness of the report and submitted the same. As per the instructions of the higher officials, Range Inspector-1, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Rajahmundry registered a case in Cr.No.12/RCT-RJY/2008 on 8-8-2008 at 9-30 AM under sections 7,13(1)(d) read with section 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and made arrangements for laying the trap;

4. And whereas, on 8-8-2008 at about 2-20 P.M Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District was trapped and the chemical tests conducted on both hand fingers of Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao, but the same yielded negative result. The tainted amount of Rs.1000/- was recovered from the Pass book, kept in a carry bag, which was placed in a rexin bag belongs to Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao, Village Revenue Officer. When compared by the mediators the serial numbers of the tainted currency i.e. Rs.1000/- tallied with those of the serial numbers of currency handed over by the complainant during pre trap proceedings. The Sodium Carbonate test solution test conducted on the inner linings of 1<sup>st</sup> page of Pattadar Pass Book bearing No.849867, which came into contact with the tainted amount proved positive. The Deputy Superintendent of Police seized the tainted currency notes, carry bag of Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao, Pattadar Pass book relevant records and resultant solutions;

5. And whereas, the above acts of Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District constitute offences punishable under section 7 and sub section(2) of section 13 read with section 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988);

6. And whereas, Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District from Government service after fully and carefully examining the material (i.e. FIR, Mediator Names I & II, Gist of statement of witnesses etc.) placed before them in respect of the said allegations and having regard to the circumstances of the case consider that Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District should be prosecuted in a court of law for the aforesaid offences;

7. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause(b) of sub section(1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988) Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for prosecution of the said Sri Pusuluri Viswanadha Rao @ Viswanadham, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Mallepalli Village, Gandepalli Mandal, East Godavari District for the above said offences punishable under sections 7 & 13(2) read with section 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

(G.SUDHIR)

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director General  
Anti Corruption Bureau  
Hyderabad.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER